

RECORD FRUIT CROP FOR YEAR PREDICTED

Chamber of Commerce of U. S. Finds General Outlook For Season Is Optimistic.

A record fruit crop this year is predicted by the standing committee on statistics and standards of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States.

The report, based on investigations of field observers all over the country, is declared that "the general prospect for a large yield of fruit of all kinds, with the possible exception of peaches, has not been equaled at any time within the decade, save in 1912."

There is, the report says, more or less damage reported from nearly all sections to the various fruits, but except in the case of peaches, it is not a matter of much moment. The severe and unusual cold period in the spring is said to be responsible for causing damage to peaches in many States.

In Oklahoma, most of Arkansas, and the larger part of Kansas the loss was most severe, and the outlook in these States being for not more than 25 per cent of a normal crop.

Reports of more or less severe damage came also from south central Missouri, southern Mississippi, northwestern Alabama, south and east Texas, southwestern Georgia, and the southern part of Tennessee, southern Idaho, and portions of North Carolina.

Elsewhere, the report says, "the outlook is so promising that in general a crop of peaches approaching the normal seems more than a likelihood."

The severe drought of 1913 is said to be responsible for some damage to fruit in the dry districts. Illinois, Missouri, and Kansas report some damage to grapes from this cause, since the buds which produce the fruit are formed in the late summer of one year for the production of fruit in the next year.

Last year's drought in some sections withered and destroyed the buds which otherwise would have produced fruit this year. The drought also will be responsible for a reduction in this year's crop of strawberries in southwestern Missouri.

The report of the chamber committee emphasizes the necessity of well-organized associations of well-organized packing, marketing and the product. Many of the States east of the Rockies, the report says, have lost the potential value and income of their orchards because of the lack of co-operation and co-operation among growers and a lack of realization that an orchard-for orchard is a steadily diminishing and deteriorating asset.

Statesmen Praise Work Of Terminal Y. M. C. A. Praise for the work of the Washington Terminal Young Men's Christian Association, its high aims and co-operative spirit, was uttered last night by Senator Townsend of Michigan, Congressman J. Hampton Moore of Pennsylvania, and other speakers at the sixth anniversary supper of that organization, given in the gymnasium at the Union Station. A feature of the entertainment was the singing of familiar songs, in which the 600 members present joined. A. B. Pierce, M. J. Jarvis, and St. Hodge, gave comedy and dialect skits.

R. R. Tolson, chairman of the committee on management, presided at the dinner. Reports were read by O. J. Rider, treasurer; G. H. Winslow, secretary; and James H. Bouike, chairman of the audit committee.

Trusty Escapes Jail. Police are searching for Charles Wrecks, colored, a "trusty" at the District jail, who escaped about 7 o'clock this morning.

Steal Gallon of Whisky. From the saloon of Morris J. Sheehan, second and H streets northeast, burglars last night stole four quarts of whisky.

TOGREET DELEGATES



REAR ADMIRAL SUTHERLAND, In Charge of Arrangements and Entertainment of Delegates at the Two Days' Convention of the Military Order of Foreign Wars of the United States, Which Opens at the Shoreham Today.

Obituaries

MRS. AUDREY L. PECK, at Georgetown University Hospital, yesterday. JAMES CORRIGAN, yesterday. ELIZABETH DAVIDSON, at Nashville, Tenn., yesterday. Notice of funeral later. ROBERT E. JOHNSON, at 20 Penton street northeast, May 19. MARY I. MONTGOMERY, at 622 Sixth street southwest, yesterday. AGNES BROOKE RILEY, at 4509 Wisconsin avenue northwest, yesterday. COIRA POWELL, at 1218 Blagden court northwest, May 19. SAMUEL D. RIDGELY, at 712 Third street northeast, May 19. LENA SCHMITT, at 620 L street northeast, May 19. EDITH M. WARFIELD, at 294 South Carolina avenue southeast, May 19. MRS. BRITANNIA E. WATSON, at 622 Tenth street northeast, May 19.

Funerals

Cora Powell, at People's Congregational Church, 624 M street northwest, tomorrow at 1:30 p. m. Interment at Glenwood Cemetery. Edith M. Warfield, at 294 South Carolina avenue southeast, tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. Services at Bethel Church, Odenon, Md. Mrs. Britannia E. Watson, at 622 Tenth street northeast, tomorrow at 2 p. m. Interment at Harmony Cemetery. James Corrigan, at Chapel of Hindle & Bailey, Fifth and H streets northwest, tomorrow at 5:30. Mass at Shrine of the Sacred Heart Church, Interment at Arlington Cemetery. Robert E. Johnson, at 20 Penton street northeast, tomorrow at 2 p. m. Interment at Glenwood Cemetery. Mary I. Montgomery, at St. Dominic's Church, May 21, at 9 a. m. Agnes Brooke Riley, at Eldbrooke M. E. Church, Tenleytown, tomorrow at 2 p. m. Interment in Methodist Cemetery. Edith Jane Tenly, at 108 L street northwest, tomorrow at 2 p. m.

THREE ARE HURT IN AUTOMOBILE CRASH

George Linthicum, His Son Smith, and Theodore Ricketts Are Victims.

Three persons were injured today when the automobile of George Linthicum, a merchant of Gaithersburg, Md., crashed into a heavy motor truck coming in the opposite direction on a dangerous curve in the road on the outskirts of Gaithersburg.

Mr. Linthicum, his son, Smith Linthicum, and Theodore Ricketts, who were in the automobile, were all hurled from the car.

Mr. Linthicum suffered a broken collar bone, two fractured ribs and injuries to the head. Smith Linthicum's nose was broken and his body and head were badly bruised. Ricketts suffered numerous cuts and bruises on the head and body.

Several hours later Dr. H. B. Haddock decided that it would be necessary for Mr. Linthicum and his son to have hospital treatment, and they were placed in an automobile and brought to this city.

Mr. Linthicum lives in Travilah and was on his way to Gaithersburg when the accident happened. The milk truck was being driven toward Washington.

According to witnesses, Mr. Linthicum, who was driving the automobile, had gotten over on the wrong side of the road in order to make the turn without slowing down. Seeing the milk truck as he swung into the curve, he cut over abruptly to the right side to let the truck pass, but the driver of the truck, apparently thinking Linthicum was going to hold his course, cut over to the left. The two machines came together with great force.

WILL SHOW DEVICES FOR SAVING LABOR

Apparatus To Be on Exhibition at Convention of Library Association Here.

Sixty-three large manufacturers of labor-saving apparatus will show their products at the Public Library during the sessions of the convention of the American Library Association here, May 25 to 29, according to the announcement of C. Seymour Thompson, assistant librarian.

This exhibit is expected to be the most extensive yet shown. Every article has been selected with greatest care by the committee, and only the most useful and meritorious devices will find a place in the exhibit. The exhibit bids fair to prove one of the most interesting features in connection with the convention.

Opportunity for the United States Government to take advantage of the exhibit has been made through the invitation of the committee to the chief clerks of all governmental divisions to attend or to designate properly informed representatives of their offices to be present.

On May 25, the exhibit will be open from 2 to 10 o'clock; Tuesday and Wednesday the hours will be from 10 to 6 o'clock; Thursday, 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. The exhibit will be closed Friday evening at 6 o'clock.

PRIEST FO BE FETED

Purse of Gold Will Be Given Father Fealy

A purse of gold will be presented to the Rev. Ignatius Fealy, former assistant pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, who has been appointed chaplain in the army, tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at Naval Lodge Hall, Fourth street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast. This testimonial of esteem has been subscribed by the men and women of St. Joseph's parish, and will be presented by Father O'Hern, of the Catholic University.

A program of vocal and instrumental music has been arranged for the entertainment. The committee has extended an invitation to the friends of Father Fealy in other parishes and to his noncatholic admirers to be present tomorrow evening.

Two Motor Cars Stolen From Washington Men

The police today failed to get any trace of two Ford automobiles stolen last night. The automobile of Percy H. Russell, 1812 Belmont road northwest, was taken early in the evening from in front of the Mt. Pleasant Congregational Church, Columbia road, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth streets. The automobile of Dr. C. C. Pierce, 1222 Harvard street northwest, was stolen from in front of Poll's Theater.

Postpone Traction Hearing

The hearing before the Public Utilities Commission to consider a petition of the Congress Heights Public Improvement Association for an extension of the tracks of the Washington Railway and Electric Company was postponed today until May 28.

Thinks Himself a Sleuth.

Robert E. Grant, thirty-two, 243 Second street northeast, is in Washington Asylum Hospital today for observation as to his mental condition. Grant asserted he was a United States Secret Service agent and the Government owed him a large sum of money.

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The Store of 1000 Gifts. Everything conceivable in Diamonds, Jewelry, Silverware, and Watches—priced from \$1 to as much as you wish to spend. Easy credit terms as low as fifty cents a week.

CASTELBERG'S 935 PA. AVE. The Biggest Bed Bargain Ever Offered Housekeepers. This 10-Filler Two-in-One Post Brass Bed \$15.00 Value \$8.80 50c a Week. KRAFT BROS. 811-813 7th St. N.W.

Friday's Sale of Children's White Shoes 95c For May Parades at...

A heaping tableful of broken sizes—also of complete lines in all sizes: 50 prs. BIG GIRLS' \$2 and \$2.50 White Sea Isle Duck Button Boots and White Nubuck Button Boots. Broken sizes 2 1/2 to 5 1/2. 25 prs. CHILD'S \$1.50 and \$1.75 White Nubuck Play Oxfords, with rawhide soles. Broken sizes 5 to 9. 250 prs. MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S \$1.25 and \$1.50 White Sea Isle Duck Button Boots and Ankle Strap Pumps. Neat, dressy styles, with solid soles, low heels or spring heels. All sizes from child's 5 to misses' 2. 65 prs. BIG GIRLS' \$1.25 quality White Duck Ankle Strap Pumps. Half heels. Sizes 2 1/2 to 6. Friday—at all 3 stores—95c.

Misses', Children's and Boys' \$1.75, \$2 and \$2.50 Shoes at \$1.39. On Bargain Tables at our 7th St. Store Tomorrow: 250 prs. Misses' and Children's \$1.75 to \$2.50 Tan or Black Calf and Patent Calf Ankle and Instep Strap Pumps. Remnants of 12 different styles, including some of our well-known "KITE-FORM" shoes. Broken sizes from child's \$1.50 up to Big Girls' \$2.50. 25 prs. Boys' \$2 and \$2.50 Tan Oxfords. Broken sizes from 9 to 12 1/2 and from 2 1/2 to 5 1/2. Friday only at \$1.39 Pair.

Boys' Play Shoes and Rubber Sole Oxfords. 150 pairs of them. Brown Calf, "Scout" style Play Shoes with strongly sewn, elk soles. Boys' Tan Calf wide toe Blucher Oxfords with rubber soles. Sizes 2 1/2 to 5 1/2. Regular \$2 kinds at all our 3 stores Friday \$1.69. Big \$1.95 Sale of Boys' \$2.50 & \$3.00 Oxfords. Choice of any of our famous "TRI-WEAR" or "Calfet" \$2.50 and \$3 Oxfords. All sizes, 1 to 5 1/2. Including all shapes in all leathers—excepting only the "English" Oxfords. A most remarkable opportunity for savings. Friday at all our 3 stores \$1.95.

Friday Sale of Women's Low Shoes In Wanted Styles In all Sizes! \$2.50 and \$3.00 Kinds. \$1.95

One of those celebrated \$1.95 sales of ours—less frequent than formerly on account of present high wholesale costs of shoes. Tomorrow at all our 3 stores. Choice of over 200 up-to-date sorts of women's well made low shoes. Our regular \$2.50 and \$3.00 kinds—in all sizes: Pumps One and Two Straps Blucher and Button Oxfords Velvet and Suede Pumps White Duck Oxfords With Elk Soles. Choice of narrow to full toes; low or high heels. Sizes 2 1/2 to 8, B to E widths. Friday Only at \$1.95 a Pair!

\$2.19 For Women's \$3 grade Patent Calf and Gun Metal Calf Oxfords with spool heel and large buckle—also the popular "Blucher" and Ankle Strap Pumps. \$2.39 For any of our Women's \$2.50 to \$3 White Duck, Nubuck, or Sea Isle Duck Button and laced high shoes. Any toe, heel, low heel, or width you require. \$2.95 For Women's \$2.50 to \$3 "English" Oxfords, with blind eyelets—also "English" low heel Pumps. Tan or Black Calf with rubber or leather soles.

Men's Friday Sale of \$2.50 and \$3.00 Low Shoes. \$1.90

Another big "Opportunity" for you men—on the Bargain Tables at our 7th st. store—tomorrow only! Broken sizes of 9 different kinds of shapely, well made Blucher and Button Oxfords—our \$2.50 and \$3 kinds—worth more! 100 pairs in Tan Calf 75 pairs in Black Calf 60 pairs in Patent Calf Some styles in nearly all sizes; others in more or less broken sizes. My Hat & Shoe Co. COR. 7th and K. STS. 1914-1916 Pa. Ave. 233 Pa. Ave. S.E. 3 RELIABLE SHOE HOUSES

Schwartz Diamond Merchant 824 SEVENTH STREET N.W. Using Credit Here Simply Means—that you may buy from us at our regular, plainly marked prices and pay the bill later, in such amounts as may be convenient for you. We follow no set rule in granting terms. Every customer is considered individually and the account arranged to give the accommodation wished. Our reputation for reliability has come from years of honest dealing with the people of Washington. In jewels, in watches, in silverware, and in every line handled we have always given them dependable values. In prices and qualities we meet the best offers of reputable stores, giving you, without charge the help of a dignified form of credit. Come to us for "commencement" or wedding gifts. Our stock offers many beautiful remembrances at very reasonable prices.

S. Kann Sons & Co. "The Busy Corner" 8th St. and Penna. Ave. Open 9:00 A. M. Close 5:45 P. M.

A Busy Week Makes Many REMNANTS of WASH GOODS Values Up to 25c Yard at 7 3/4c Yard. Waist, Skirt and Dress Lengths of the most wanted seasonable kinds: Percales, Gingham, Printed Crepes, Voiles, Rattines, Dimities, Batistes, Madras, Poplins, etc. Bargain Table—Street Floor.

Here Is a GOOD U-M-B-R-E-L-L-A At a Little Price. Not one, but 500 of them. Enough for a good selection, isn't it? Covers are made of American taffeta, taped edge, steel rods, paragon frames. Umbrellas you can really carry in the rain. Good range of plain and fancy sticks. Regular price is \$1.00. SALE PRICE 69c. Bargain Table—Street Floor.

Odd Lots Little Folk's Apparel. Many dainty, stylish, and effective little garments that are practical, and economical—to help the busy mother solve her dress problems. AT 29c Little odd lots of Children's Cambric and Dimity Sleeping Suits, sizes 2, 4, 6 years. Regularly 50c to 75c, at 29c. AT 25c Little odd lots of Children's Dresses; made of colored percale; and also a few gingham aprons in the lot; sizes 2, 3, 4 years. 50c value, 25c. AT 69c Broken lot Girls' Dresses, made of colored percale, linen, lawn, in dainty effects; nicely trimmed; sizes 6 and 12 years. Values to \$1.25. AT 99c Odds and ends Misses' percale, gingham, and voiles; sizes 10 to 18 years. Values to \$3.50. Special 99c. AT 20c Odd lots of Children's Wash Skirts and Drawers; values to 50c. AT ONE-HALF PRICE—Lots of slightly mussed Underwear, such as skirts, gowns, drawers; regular price 75c to \$2.00; reduced to half price.

TWO BIG LOTS OF WASH SKIRTS Values From \$2 Up to \$5 All Sizes in Each Lot ONE LOT AT 99c ONE LOT AT \$1.98. Skirts of cotton and linen. The better qualities naturally at the higher price, but none worth less than \$2.00. See our Special Skirt with long Russian tunic. Skirts with extra large waist measures in the lot, from 30 to 36. The skirts at 99c are chiefly of corded materials. Bargain Table—Street Floor.

30c 6500 Yds. Choicest Summer Silks 30c yd. 50c to 69c Qualities In a Big Friday Sale at 30c yd. By far the best silk offer we ever made. A reading of the list of silks involved combined with the fact they are real 50c to 69c silks at 30c yard will convince you of the fact. Wanted silks in plain and fancy weaves for summer dresses, waists, skirts, etc., or for trimming and lining purposes. 19 to 40 in. widths in every color. Choice, 30c yard. Messalines, Liberty Satins, Foulards, Natural Pongees, Stripe Grenadines, Satin Stripe Messalines, Roman Stripes, Black Surah Silks, Bulgarians, Stripe Ratine, Black Pongees, Black Messalines, Novelty Satins, Tub Silk, Stripe Taffeta, Rattines. Silk Store, Street Floor.

Miscellaneous Lot Slightly Mussed NECKWEAR Worth to 50c Choice 11c. Flat Lace Collars, pointed effects, ecru ballote collars, and a varied collection of single pieces, including Medici collars, jabots, yokes, and a good assortment of bows, many different kinds of silk and satin. CLEAN UP OF PLEATINGS, short lengths left from the week's busy selling. Values 25c to 35c. Choice of the lot, a yard, 12 1/2c. Bargain Table—Street Floor.

Small Lots Trunks To Close. Canvas-covered Steamer Trunks, sizes 28, 30 and 32 in., some with vulcanized fiber binding, heavy brass bumpers and trimmings, attached straps, tray and hat box. Ware #4 and #5. To close... \$2.95. Canvas-covered Trunks, regulation style, in sizes 30, 32, 34 and 36 inches. Have hardwood slats, some with vulcanized fiber binding, heavy brass bumpers and trimmings, attached straps, tray and hat box. \$7 to \$8 values. To close... \$4.95. Trunk Store—Third Floor.

Rugs For Summer Homes Big Reductions for Friday. The result of one of the best purchases we ever made. \$2.75 Heavy China Matting Rugs \$2.50 Stenciled Jap Matting Rugs \$2.50 Woven Design Jap Matting Rugs. Choice of the lot. \$1.95. Room size 9x12 ft. art styles, with borders, patterns in the rug, expensive rugs. Just the rugs you want for summer use and at a price that must make new owners. Be sure you are one of them. Rug Store, Third Floor.

Odd Lot of Colored Trimmings, Worth to 39c Yd. Remnant Price 5c Yard. Colored silk gumpes, colored crystal, and colored bead trimmings. Think of the values. Come early. Bargain Table—Street Floor.

Woodward & Lothrop New York—WASHINGTON—Paris A Display of White Wash Skirts In Which Is Presented Every New Mode of the Season. Makers and designers have exceeded all former achievements in the excellence and attractiveness of White Washable Skirts. They present a variety in styles and materials that we believe has never been equaled. Fancy rattines, striped rattines, checked rattines, honeycomb weaves, basket weaves, fancy materials, heavy and light wale piques, reps and crepes in many weaves. So many differently shaped tunics and new features on tunics and flounces are embraced that there may be found here skirts for all occasions where a white skirt would be desirable—and the moderation in price is a feature worthy of emphasis. These illustrations give an idea of the extensive variety, and show how well the latest fashion notes have been employed. A white crepe model has a double flounce effect attained by the wide plait sewn on the tunic, which is hip length and divided in front. \$5.00. The long tunic skirt is cut-away style with a disappearing plait both front and back, stitched several inches below the waist. This model is of white ratine and priced at \$3.00. Third floor, G st.